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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Meeting of IAC Deputies

1. At my invitation the IAC deputies met with me on June 1st for about an hour and a half. The purpose of this meeting was to review existing procedures for the production of National Intelligence Estimates and to examine and discuss proposals for improvement of these procedures.

2. Attached hereto are copies of the minutes of this meeting which may be of interest to you. I might add that I was much impressed with the spirit of this meeting. It convinced me that all of the IAC agencies are taking the estimating work very seriously and that they are eager to do everything possible to expedite and improve it. In a number of the agencies special estimating groups have been organized to devote either all or a major part of their time to the work required for the NIE's.

3. It was finally agreed that it would be advantageous for us to meet once every few months to review the procedures and that a continuing effort should be made on all sides to strengthen the contributions, to raise the level of representation at the inter-agency conferences, and to develop the requirements work as it is revealed in the NIE process.

4. I think the results of this informal discussion will be as gratifying to you as they were to me.

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